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SUBJ: UN - OAU CONFERENCE: CONGRESSMAN DIGGS

1. UNDER SYG DJERMAKOYE CALLED MISOFF MARCH 22 TO SAY THAT CONGRESSMAN DIGG S' OFFICE HAD CALLED HIM INFORMING HIM THAT DIGGS WANTED TO PARTICIPATE " SEMI- OFFICIALLY" IN OSLO CONFERENCE. DJERMAKOYE SAID HE HAD REPLIED TO DIGGS' OFFICE THAT INVITATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE HAD BEEN GIVEN TO MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE-24, COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA, SC AND APARTHEID COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS TO VARIETY OF EXPERTS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA. HE ALSO LISTED CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE. DJERMAKOYE SAID THAT DIGGS HAD SAID HE DID NOT WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE AS AN EXPERT.

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2. DJERMAKOYE TOLD MISOFF THAT HE WAS NOT PARTICULARLY KEEN ON IDEA OF DIGGS PARTICIPATING IN CONFERENCE, AND, IN ANY

EVENT, DID NOT KNOW WHAT STATUS TO GIVE HIM. HE SAID HE HAD TALKED MATTER OVER WITH STAVROPOULOS, WHO AGREED THAT DIGGS COULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN SEMI- OFFICIAL CAPACITY IN LIGHT OF USG DECISION NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE. IN ADDITION, DJERMAKOYE NOTED THAT, WERE DIGGS TO AGREE TO PARTICIPATE AS EXPERT, THIS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE INASMUCH AS LIST OF EXPERTS HAS BEEN CLOSED SINCE JANUARY 26 AND THAT HE HAS BEEN TURNING DOWN REQUESTS TO ADD ADDITIONAL EXPERTS TO CONFERENCE AS RESULT OF CLOSING LIST. ONLY POSSIBILITY HE COULD SEE FOR DIGGS GOING TO OSLO WOULD BE TO HAVE HOST COUNTRY INVITE DIGGS AS DISTINGUISHED GUEST TO ATTEND OPENING AND CLOSING OF CONFERENCE. DIGGS, HOWEVER, WOULD NOT HAVE RIGHT TO SPEAK OR PARTICIPATE OR OBSERVE CLOSED MEETINGS OF CONFERENCE. DJERMAKOYE SPECULATED THAT DIGGS WOULD NOT ACCEPT TO BE INVITED AS DISTINGUISHED GUEST IF HE COULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE. DJERMAKOYE SAID HE WAS INFORMING MISOFF OF DIGGS APPROACH OFFICIALLY AND WONDERED HOW HE COULD OVERCOME PROBLEM. SPEAKING UN-OFFICIALLY, MISOFF REPLIED THAT HIS PERSONAL VIEW WOULD BE THAT, INASMUCH USG HAD DECLINED ATTEND CONFERENCE, DIGGS COULD NOT ATTEND CONFERENCE IN SEMI- OFFICIAL CAPACITY SINCE HE WOULD THEN BE REPRESENTING US. MISOFF FURTHER ASKED WHETHER THERE NO POSSIBILITY DIGGS ATTENDING AS EXPERT. DJERMAKOYE REITERATED THAT LIST OF EXPERTS HAD BEEN CLOSED AND HE FELT THAT, IF HE REOPENED LIST FOR DIGGS, THEN HE WOULD HAVE TO DO SO FOR OTHER EXPERTS THAT HE HAD REFUSED TO ACCEPT. HE ALSO REMINDED MISOFF THAT DIGGS DID NOT APPEAR INCLINED TO APPEAR AS EXPERT. MISOFF AGREED WITH DJERMAKOYE' S ANALYSIS THAT DIGGS WOULD PROBABLY NOT WANT TO ATTEND OSLO CONFERENCE IF HE WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE.

3. PURSUANT GRIGG- HALSTEAD TELECON, MISOFF SUBSEQUENTLY PHONED DJERMAKOYE AND INFORMED HIM THAT US WOULD NOT BE SENDING OFFICIAL OR " SEMI- OFFICIAL" REPRESENTATIVE TO OSLO CONFERENCE. HE SAID THAT DIGGS COULD BE INVITED TO CONFERENCE IN ANOTHER CAPACITY, BUT THAT THIS WOULD BE UP TO DISCRETION OF SPONSORS OF CONFERENCE.

4. DJERMAKOYE SAID THAT AS RESULT OF FURTHER COMPLICATIONS IT HAD BEEN DECIDED THAT DIGGS WOULD NOT BE INVITED IN ANY  
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